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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the document which is listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of the listed document is submitted herewith, along with a copy of the corresponding Communication from a Foreign Patent Office.

The Examiner will note that EP '419 and Sato, Y. et al. Listed on the European Search Report are not being submitted herewith. These two documents are already listed on the International Search Report and the PTO-1449 filed May 21, 2001 with the present application.

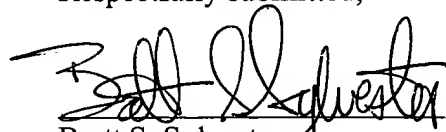
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The Examiner will also kindly note that JP '987 listed on the European Search Report is not being submitted herewith. This document is a counterpart of EP '419 already of record, as indicated in the Annex to the European Search Report.

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